

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD ACTION ITEM JUNE 1, 2017

COMMUNITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION, CARLSBAD, APPROVAL OF \$326,000 LOAN TO WAKELAND HOUSING TO REHABILITATE AFFORDABLE HOUSING; A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR, AND RECEIPT OF, NO PLACE LIKE HOME PROGRAM TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANT FUNDS

On June 20, 2017, HHSA's Housing and Community Development Services (HCDS) is taking an item to the Board of Supervisors to request authorization to allocate rehabilitation funds to a North County housing project and to adopt a resolution authorizing application for and receipt of No Place Like Home (NPLH) funding from the State. Because of BHS's integral role in housing for persons with disabilities, the item is coming to the Behavioral Health Advisory Board for their review and support.

The Health and Human Services Agency's HCDS administers a variety of housing programs to provide the community with affordable housing options. HCDS utilizes a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) process to identify viable developments to fund that will increase, improve or preserve the community's supply of affordable housing resources.

HCDS recently released a NOFA and received one eligible response. This item requests allocation of up to \$326,000 in U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) HOME funding administered by HCDS for rehabilitation of an existing affordable housing development, Vista Las Flores Apartments, in the city of Carlsbad. The funding would preserve the affordable housing resource and extend the affordability period.

Additionally, this item requests that the Board adopt a resolution authorizing the County to apply for and receive up to \$150,000 in No Place Like Home (NPLH) technical assistance grant funds from the State of California Housing and Community Development (State HUD).

The recently established NPLH seeks to provide local jurisdictions with funds to invest in the development of permanent supportive housing for persons who are in need of behavioral health services and are experiencing homelessness, chronic homelessness, or are at risk of chronic homelessness.

It is, THEREFORE, staff's recommendation that the Board support the recommendations to: authorize allocation of HOME funds for the Vista Las Flores Apartments; adopt a resolution authorizing the County to apply for and receive State HUD NPLH grant funding; and authorize necessary technical and legal processes related to utilizing housing funding, issuing future NOFA solicitations, and awarding and amending those resulting contracts.